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Rybak et al.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants request a five-month extension of time to respond to the Official Action mailed 3 October 2003, i.e., to and including 5 April 2004, and enclose the appropriate fee in accordance with 37 CFR §1.136(a).

In response to the Office Action mailed 3 October 2003 (Paper No. 14), applicants hereby elect with traverse Group 2, claims 4-8, for prosecution in the subject application. Applicants further elect the species of SEQ ID NO:2 for initial examination.

Applicants, of course, reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

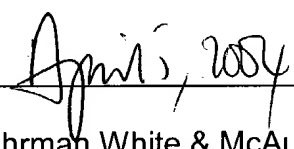
It is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for examination, and an early action on the merits is courteously requested.

AUTHORIZATION

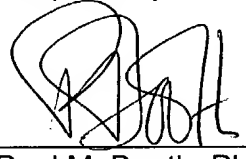
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this Amendment, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-1641.

In the event that an Extension of Time is required, or which may be required in addition to that requested in a petition for an Extension of Time, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that Extension of Time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an Extension of Time or credit any overpayment for an Extension of Time to Deposit Account No. 08-0641.

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